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<b>SITUATION REPORT</b>	INCIDENT <b>Hurricane Harvey Texas</b>	OPERATIONAL PERIOD DATES: August 31, 2017 TIMES:0700-0700	REPORTING UNIT <b>ESF-10 EPA</b>	FORM - 01/1999 <b>209</b>
<div> <div> <b>▪ CURRENT SITUATION</b>  See Accomplishments </div> <div> <b>▪ CRITICAL ISSUE</b>  None at this time. </div> <div> <b>▪ CASUALTY REPORT</b> (Civilian/Federal)  No injuries </div> <div> <b>▪ ACCOMPLISHMENT</b>  <p>- EPA ASPECT aircraft was deployed Thursday morning (8/31/17) to provide real-time chemical information to first responders over the Arkema facility in Crosby, TX. Aspect is now doing routine flyovers of the facility approximately every 30 minutes and will continue to do so until the threat is over. Data from Aspect does show some release of peroxide into the atmosphere. EPA's federal On-Scene Coordinator is now at the command post in Crosby to ensure all federal resources are available to first responders. EPA has also sent additional air monitoring personnel and equipment to augment the current effort of the state and local first responders.</p> <p>- EPA deployed four teams made up of On Scene Coordinators and contractors to Houston to coordinate with TCEQ, TGLO, and US Coast Guard and begin responding to releases and spills at facilities. The teams will conduct rapid needs assessments, oil assessments, and hazards evaluations. These teams are scheduled to begin sampling the flood water on Saturday September 2, 2017. The flood water will be analyzed for volatiles, semi-volatiles, pesticides, Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs), and Total Analyte Metals (TALs).</p> <p>- EPA personnel are assisting Texas Commission of Environmental Quality (TCEQ) with their Drinking Water and Waste Water Phone Bank located in Austin, Texas.</p> <p>- EPA mobilized a team to Corpus Christi to form a unified command with TCEQ, TGLO, and USCG, and begin conducting Rapid Needs Assessments, conduct aerial assessments to assess discharges/releases; accumulations of orphaned containers, and damages to oil/chemical facilities.</p> <p>- EPA issued a waiver for 38 states and the District of Columbia of all low volatility gasoline requirements in any State Implementation Plan that applies in the designated states. This waiver now includes all five Region 6 states: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.</p> <p>- EPA's organic chemical mobile laboratory arrived in San Antonio, Texas on August 31, 2017. The mobile laboratory can be utilized to process environmental samples.</p> </div> <div> <b>▪ RESOURCES ASSIGNED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One On-Scene Coordinator (OSC) to support FEMA at Texas EOC in Austin</li> <li>- One OSC to support FEMA at EOC in Denton, TX</li> <li>- Ten (10) EPA personnel to assist TCEQ's Drinking Water and Waste Water Phone Bank located in Austin, Texas</li> <li>- Six (6) EPA personnel at the Al Amin Shriner's facility in Corpus Christi, TX</li> <li>- Two (2) EPA personnel in Houston area.</li> <li>- Three (3) personnel assigned to fly and conduct aerial assessments on the Aspect aircraft</li> </ul> </div> <div> <b>▪ PLANNED ACTIVITIES</b> (next 24 – 72 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EPA is developing incident specific surface water sampling plans to address public health concerns regarding possible contaminants found in storm water</li> </ul> </div> </div>				

- EPA is deploying four teams of On Scene Coordinators and contractors to Beaumont-Port Arthur to coordinate with TCEQ, TGLO, and US Coast Guard in responding to releases and spills at facilities. These teams will stage in Houston until weather allows them to enter the Beaumont-Port Arthur area.
- On Saturday, September 2, 2017, EPA will send four additional Drinking Water/Wastewater Assessment Teams to Corpus Christi, and four Drinking Water/Wastewater Assessment Teams to Houston. Where needed, teams will physically visit drinking water and waste water systems to determine functionality and provide technical assistance.
- Aspect airplane will continue its routine flyovers of the Arkema facility in Crosby, TX and will continue to do so until the threat is over. EPA's On-Scene Coordinator will continue to coordinate with the Incident Commander and Arkema representatives regarding the situation at their Crosby facility.

▪ **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional resource/personnel orders will be submitted to our ESF 10 Grp/Sup as this incident continues to evolve.

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